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SUBJECT.

Recommendation No. 168 of the Prison Reforms Committee suggesting the right of writing to prisoners.

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SUBJECT.

Remission of half Wel-assessment- under certain Conditions in the Gorichanan Taluk during 33-34

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Recommendation No. 168 of the Prison Reforms Committee.

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Butter-milk is at present being issued twice a week and curds once a week in the Mysore Jails. Each prisoner is given 12 Ounces of curds once a week and ¼ seer of butter-milk twice a week. (Note 2 and 3 of Rule 326(3) of the Jail Manual) The strength of butter-milk now issued is four Ounces of curds to eight ounces of water, and the Inspector General of Prisons reports that this is found to be tasteful and enough for a meal.

It was strongly represented to the Prison Reforms Committee not only by the Prisoners, but also by all prison Officials and other persons questioned by the Committee that butter-milk should be given daily. The Committee recommend therefore in para (7) of Chapter VIII of their Report, that it should be issued to the prisoners daily, eight ounces being allowed to each prisoner and that twice a week curds may be mixed with the rice food distributed, as in Madras.

The Inspector General of Prisons states that this would involve an additional cost of Rs.5,000/- an year, and that the concession may therefore be deferred for the present.

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Butter-milk is not merely an invariable part of Vegetarian diet but also a necessary part of such diet in this country to which persons of all

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classes are normally accustomed. Althrough a prison is a house of correction to which persons with anti-social tendencies are committed, there can be very little justification for depriving persons so committed of a necessary part of their normal diet. The cost of Rs.5,000/- referred to by the Inspector General of Prisons is not much, considering the fact that it restores to the inmates of the prisons a necessary item of their diet. The Committee's recommendation is a very reasonable one in the circumstances and may be approved. If, however, it is considered necessary to reduce the cost on this account, curds may be supplied once a week as at present and not twice a week as suggested by the Committee.

// The Committee next observe that they have heard complaints that butter-milk in some prisons is made out of skimmed milk from which the cream has been removed, and that it is therefore tasteless and poor in quality.

The Committee recommend therefore that the entire process of the boiling of milk and its conversion into butter-milk should be supervised by the Sub Assistant Surgeon and that the Superintendent and the Medical Officer should also independently satisfy themselves that the prisoners receive the full

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full benefits of butter-milk by frequent surprise visits.

Such an arrangement is definitely enjoined in British Indian Jails. Thus Sub-rule (5) of Rule 347 of the Madras Manual lays down :-

" In order to ensure that prisoners get the full benefit of fats in the issue of butter-milk, care should be taken to see that the cream or butter is not removed from either the milk or curds. For this purpose, the Sub Assistant Surgeon should supervise the entire process of the boiling of the milk and its conversion into butter-milk. The Superintendent and the Medical Officer should independently satisfy themselves that the prisoners receive the full benefits of butter-milk by frequent surprise checks which should be noted in their hournals."

A similar rule may be enbodied in our Jail Manual.

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Curds once a week & butter milk on other week days may be supplied to prisoners who were accustomed to the use of the same. The cost in such cases

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Draft G.O. is submitted for consideration. In the case of the Lock-ups no provision can be made for the supervision of the process of the conversion of milk into butter milk by the Sub-Asst Surgeons, since Lock-ups have no full time Sub. Asst Surgeons attached to them.

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S.O No P.699-709 dated 29-7-42 directs the issue of certain amendments to the Rules in the Gazette and book up rewards the issue of further rules to presumes

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Extract from the Opinion of the Inspector General of Prisons in Mysore on the recommendation made by the Prison Reforms Committee.

Recommendation No.168.

Butter-milk should be issued daily, eight Ounces being allowed to each prisoner; but twice a week curds may be mixed with the rice food distributed.

Opinion of the Inspector General of Prisons.

At present each prisoner is given 12 Ounces of Curds once a week and ¼ seer of butter-milk twice a week. The strength of butter-milk now issued is four Ounces of curds to 8 Ounces of water." This is found to be tasteful and enough for a meal." If, as suggested by the Committee, butter-milk is issued daily and Curds twice a week, the additional cost on account of prisoners in Jails and Lock-Ups comes up to about Rs.5,000/- per year. This concession to prisoners may be deferred for the present.

Recommendation.

The entire process of the boiling of milk and its conversion into butter-milk should be supervised by the Sub Assistant Surgeon. The Superintendent and the Medical Officer should also independently satisfy themselves by frequent surprise visits

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visits that the prisoners receive the full benefits of butter-milk.

Opinion of the Inspector General of Prisons.

I agree with the Committee. The arrangement suggested may be brought into force in the Jails at Bangalore and Mysore, necessary provision being made in the Jail Manual.

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Proceedings of the Govt of His Highness the Maharaja

Read: (1) G.O. No. 3021-2 Pris 24-28-3, dated 14th December 1938, sanctioning the issue of 1/4 seer of butter milk (measure) to each prisoner in sub-jails and lock-ups twice a week, on Tuesdays and Thursdays throughout the year, in addition to the supply on Saturdays of curds to vegetarians and mutton to non-vegetarians prisoners

2. Recommendation No. 1680 of the Prison Reforms Committee suggesting the daily issue of butter milk to prisoners, and the views of the I.G. of Prisons thereon

Order No. 1677-709 dated 27.7.42

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Butter-milk is at present issued twice a week and curds once a week in the Mysore jails and lock-ups. Each prisoner is given 12 ounces of curds once a week and 1/4 seer of butter-milk twice a week. The strength of the butter-milk now issued is four ounces of curds to eight ounces of waters, and the I.G. of Prisons reports that this is found to be tasteful and enough for a meal.

The Prison Reforms Committee observes that it was strongly represented to them not only by the prisoners, but also by all prison officials and others persons questioned by the Committee that butter-milk should be given daily. The Committee recommend therefore in paragraph 4 of Chapter VIII of their Report that it should be issued to the prisoners daily, eight ounces being allowed to each prisoner and

that twice a week curds may be mixed with the rice food distributed

The I. G. of Prisons who was consulted in the matter states that this would involve an additional cost of Rs 5,000 /- and he is of opinion that this concession to the prisoners may be deferred for the present.

Having regard however, to the fact that butter-milk is an invariable part of Vegetarian diet in this country, Govt consider that the recommendation of the Committee is a reasonable one, and are ~~a~~ pleased to accept it. They direct accordingly that butter-milk be issued to the prisoners in the jails and lock-ups daily, eight ounces being allowed to each prisoner ~~and the issue of curds being~~ also ~~discontinued and curds issued~~ as at present, once a week. The extra cost on this account which is estimated to be Rs 5,000 /- per annum will be met out of the sanctioned grants of the Prison Department for the current year.

The Committee observe that they have heard complaints that butter-milk in some prisons is made out of skimmed milk from which the cream has been removed, and therefore tasteless and poor in quality. Govt agree with the Committee that it is desirable that the entire process of the boiling of the milk and its conversion into butter-milk should be supervised by the Sub-Asst Surgeon, and that the Supt and the Medical officer should also independently satisfy themselves that the prisoners receive the full benefits of butter-milk by frequent surprise visits.

Govt direct that the following amendments be made

10 in the rules in the Jail and Lock-up Manuals —

1) The following shall be substituted for Note (3) ~~of~~ to rule 326(3) of the Jail Manual —

"Each prisoner shall be given ~~as part~~ daily 8 ounces of butter-milk and 1 dram of salt."

2) The following shall be inserted as sub-rule (5) of rule 326 —

"(5) The order to ensure that prisoners get the full benefit of fats in the issue of butter-milk, care should be taken to see that the cream or butter is not removed from either the milk or the curds. For this purpose the entire process of the boiling of the milk and its conversion into butter-milk should be supervised by the Sub-Asst Surgeon. The Supt and the Medical Officer should independently satisfy themselves that the prisoners receive the full benefits of butter-milk by frequent surprise checks"

3) The following shall be substituted for note (5) ~~of~~ to rule 97 of the Lock-up Manuals —

"Each prisoner shall be given daily 8 ounces of butter milk and 1 dram of salt"

4) The following shall be added as note (6) to rule 97 of the Lock-up Manuals —

"(6) The order to ensure that prisoners get the full benefit of fats in the issue of butter-milk, care should be taken to see that the cream or butter is not removed from either the milk or the curds. For this purpose the Lock-up Officer and the Medical Officer should independently satisfy themselves that the prisoners receive the full benefits of butter-milk by frequent surprise checks"

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

Read :—

Recommendation No.185 of the Prison Reforms Committee regarding provision of facilities for the bathing of prisoners, and the views of the Inspector General of Prisons thereon.

O R D E R NO.P. 759-69/Pris.2-42-6

Dated, Bangalore, the 29th July 1942.

The Prison Reforms Committee in paras 41 and 42 of Chapter VIII of their Report recommend--

1) that daily bathing should be encouraged in the interests of the health and cleanliness of prisoners and that except in the case of the really weak or sick, it should be enforced as a general rule;

2) that a warm or tepid bath should be provided for those medically certified as unfit to stand a cold water bath, as also for prisoners in the Malnad during the winter season;

3) that to prisoners accustomed to take regular oil baths, one ounce of gingelly oil per head may be issued once a fortnight together with an ounce of soap-nut powder;

4) that those who use toilet soaps may be allowed to obtai the same at their own cost and

5) that each prisoner should be given a pair of towels once in nine months and that they should be at least thrity six inches long by twenty four inches if not longer.

The Inspector General of Prisons suggests the acceptance of the Committee's recommendations in respect of items (1), (2) and (4). He proposes in respect of item (3) mentioned above that the medical officer in the jails and the officer in charge of the Lock-ups may be permitted to order oil baths in suitable

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suitable cases. As regards the supply of towels, the Inspector General of Prisons states that at present each prisoner is given only one towel, and that at 5 annas per towel the cost on account of the additional supply of towels works out to about Rs.500/-.

Government are pleased to accept the recommendations of the Committee, subject to the condition suggested by the Inspector General of Prisons regarding oil baths. They direct that the provisions of rule 254 of Jail Manual which requires prisoners to bathe every day on cessation of work should be strictly enforced. The estimated cost of Rs.500/- on account of the additional supply of towels recommended by the Committee will be met from the sanctioned grants of the current year, necessary provision thereof, being made in the budgets of the next and subsequent years.

Government further direct the issue of the following amendments to the rules in the Jail and Lock-up Manuals:-

1. Add the following as rules 254 A, 254 B and 254 C to the Jail Manual.

"254A . A warm or tepid bath shall be provided for those prisoners who are medically certified as unfit to stand a cold water bath.

"254B. The Medical Officer may order oil baths in suitable cases in the case of pri-soners who are accustomed to take regular oil baths. An ounce of gingelly oil and an ounce of soapnut power shall be issued to every such prisoner.

"254C. The Superintendent may allow prisoners who have been in the habit of using toilet soaps to obtain the same at their own cost "

2. Substitute the words and figures:-

"A pair of towels, each 36 inches long by 24 inches wide" for the words and figures "A towel of 36 inches square" in sub

sub rule (1) of Rule 341 of the Jail Manual.

3. Substitute the words "new tools" for the words "a new towel" occurring in Rule 342 of the Jail Manual.

4. Add the following as Rules 74, 743, ~~and~~ 743/ and 74 D to the rules in the Lock-up Manual.

"744. Before the afternoon meal prisoners shall be required to bathe, unless excused by order of the Lock-up officer or Medical officer. During the wet months of the cold weathers, the bathing hour may be changed so as to precede the midday meal instead of the afternoon meal.

"743. A warm or tepid bath shall be provided for those who are medically certified as unfit to stand a cold water bath, as also for prisoners in the Malnad during the winter season.

"74C. The Lock-up officer may order oil baths in suitable cases in the case of prisoners who are accustomed to take regular oil baths. An ounce of gingely oil and an ounce of soapnut powder shall be issued to every such prisoner.

74D The Lock-up Officer may allow prisoners who have been in the habit of using toilet soaps to obtain the same at their own cost."

A. K. Varadaraja Iyengar
Secretary to Government,
Law Department.

To

The Inspector General of Prisons in Mysore
The Comptroller to Government through Financial Department.
The District Magistrates of Districts.

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